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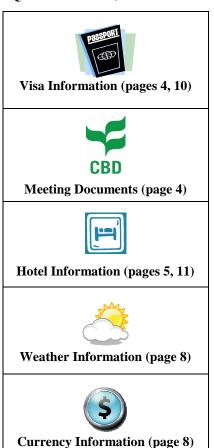
AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING

Eighth meeting

Montreal, Canada, 9-15 November 2009

INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

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1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The official opening for the eighth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 9 November 2009. The formal sessions of the meeting will be held daily from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m**. and from **3:00 to 6:00 p.m**. For more information on the programme of work, please refer to the provisional annotated agenda, which is available on the Secretariat's web site at: http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=ABSWG-08.

2. VENUE

The meeting will be held at:

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

999 University Street (between Viger and St-Antoine)

Montreal, Quebec H3C 5H7 Canada

Tel: +514-954-8219

Metro, line 2 – Orange - station Square-Victoria

3. PRE-REGISTRATION

3.1 CONTRACTING PARTIES

Pre-registration of representatives from Contracting Parties is subject to the receipt by the Secretariat of an **official nomination letter**. The letter should be sent to the attention of the Executive Secretary at the address below, as soon as possible, but **no later than 23 October 2009.**

The letter should be accompanied by a personal information form for each nominated delegate. The form is attached below as annex A and may also be retrieved from the Secretariat's web site: http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/abs/abswg-08/other/abswg-08-oth-annex-a-en.pdf. This will facilitate the delivery of conference badges upon arrival on site, and the preparation of the list of participants. Participants who do not wish to have their coordinates appear on the list of participants should inform the registration desk upon their arrival at the venue.

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Executive Secretary
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
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Montreal, Quebec
H2Y 1N9 Canada

Fax: +1-514-288-6588 E-mail: secretariat@cbd.int

3.2 OBSERVERS

3.2.1 STATES NOT PARTY TO THE CONVENTION

The pre-registration of states not Party to the Convention is subject to the same procedure as outlined in paragraph 3.1 above.

3.2.2 THE UNITED NATIONS AND ITS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The pre-registration of representatives of the UN and its specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency is subject to the same procedure as outlined in paragraph 3.1 above.

3.2.3 GOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES OR AGENCIES QUALIFIED IN THE FIELDS OF BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE

Rule 7.1 of the rules of procedure applies to bodies or agencies qualified in the fields of biodiversity conservation and sustainable use wishing to be represented as observers in the meeting. These observers may, upon invitation of the President of the meeting, participate without the right to vote in the proceedings of any meeting in matters of direct concern to the body or agency they represent unless at least one third of the Parties present at the meeting object (rule 7.2). Pursuant to COP decision IX/29 (Annex) if a body or agency was not represented at the Ninth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Bonn, 2008) the organization's statutes/rules or terms of reference, membership, as well as any other relevant information about the organization, must also be included with the request to be represented as an observer at the meeting.

The pre-registration of these representatives is subject to the receipt by the Secretariat of **an official letter and relevant documentation**. The letter must be on the organization's letterhead and signed by the organization's Chief Executive or President and not by the nominee. The letter should be sent to the attention of the Executive Secretary at the address indicated in item 3.1 above.

All organizations wishing to be represented at the meeting must include with their official letter a personal information form for each representative. The official letter along with the personal information form must be received as soon as possible, but no later than 23 October 2009. The form is attached below as annex A and can also be retrieved from the Secretariat's web site: http://www.cbd.int/doc/meetings/abs/abswg-08/other/abswg-08-oth-annex-a-en.pdf. The information provided will facilitate the delivery of conference badges upon arrival on site, and preparation of the list of participants. Participants who do not wish to have their coordinates appear on the list of participants should inform the registration desk upon their arrival at the venue.

4. ACCESS TO THE MEETING VENUE AND NAME BADGES

Access to the meeting venue is subject to the presentation of a valid conference badge. Conference badges with photographs will be issued at the registration counter located at 999 University from Thursday, 5 November onward, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Monday, 9 November, from 8 a.m.

Badges will be issued at the registration counter upon presentation of a valid passport or an identification card with a photograph, along with a copy of the nomination letters referred to under heading 3 above.

For security reasons and to gain access to both meeting venue and meeting rooms, the display of conference badges is mandatory at all times. Any loss of a badge should be reported immediately to the registration counter.

5. MEETING ROOM ALLOCATIONS/RESERVATIONS AND SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

Information pertaining to room allocations for the plenary as well as for the regional and other groups will be clearly displayed within the meeting venue.

Meeting rooms are available for all groups every day **from 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m**. For any other use outside this slot, the access to the meeting rooms needs to be confirmed, on a daily basis, with Mr. Aballache Yesli, Conferences Services. Requests, prior to the start of the meeting, can be submitted to CBD Secretariat (<u>secretariat@cbd.int</u>), and through the "meeting room request" binder located next to the document distribution counter on the 1st floor, during the meeting.

6. DOCUMENTS



In order to minimize the environmental footprint of the meeting, only one set of pre-session documents will be provided per country delegation. Pre-session documents in languages and information documents can be retrieved from the Secretariat's web site: http://www.cbd.int/doc/?meeting=ABSWG-08. Delegates are kindly requested to bring their own copies to the meeting.

CD-ROMs containing the pre-session documents, in all six United Nations official languages, as well as the information documents, will also be made available upon request to delegates and participating organizations who wish to reproduce, at their own expense, additional copies of the documents. The CD-ROMs will be available at the documentation distribution counter located on the 1st floor.

7. VISAS AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

7.1 VISA REQUIREMENTS



Participants from countries listed in **annex B** below require an entry visa for Canada and are strongly advised to contact the nearest Canadian diplomatic or consular mission **as soon as possible** in order to secure the required entry visa in a timely manner, prior to departure. **Please note that airline companies will not allow boarding in the absence of a valid visa**.

Information on visa procedures, including a list of relevant Canadian diplomatic/consular missions abroad, is available on the website of Canadian Citizenship and Immigration at: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/offices/index.asp#international.

To facilitate the issuance of visas, the Secretariat will issue upon request invitation letters to be attached to the visa applications.

7.2 HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

There are no vaccination requirements for any international traveller.

8. HOTEL INFORMATION

Participants are kindly reminded that **they have to make their own hotel reservations as soon as possible**. To benefit from the special room rates some hotels are offering, please indicate that you will be attending a CBD meeting.

Below is an indicative list of hotels (**Annex C**) located in the vicinity of the CBD Secretariat or close to a Metro (subway) station. Further information on hotels in Montreal is available at the following web site:

http://www.tourisme-montreal.org/Accommodations



9. GENERAL INFORMATION ON ACCESS TO MONTREAL



Montreal is serviced by Montreal-Trudeau International Airport (15 km from downtown). Taxis are available at the airport and there is a shuttle bus service every 30 minutes.

Bus / Shuttles:	One way trip	Round trip
Montreal-Trudeau /Downtown	CDN \$15	CDN \$25
Taxis:		
Montreal-Trudeau /Downtown	CDN \$38 Fixed rate	N.A.
	Plus tip	

10. SERVICES FOR PARTICIPANTS

Participants will have access to the internet at a Cyber café located within the ICAO Conference building. The ICAO conference building is also equipped with WIFI Internet access.

Participants wishing to avail themselves of the reproduction (and publication) facilities of the ICAO printshop are requested to contact at the address below Mr. Jacques Daoust, Chief, Reproduction Unit, directly for cost estimates and other relevant information, as appropriate. During the meeting, Mr. Daoust can be reached at extension 8205.

999 University Street Montreal, Quebec H3C 5H7 - Canada

Telephone: +1-514-954-8219 - Ext 8205

Fax: + 1-514-954-8206 E-mail: <u>jdaoust@icao.int</u>

11. PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

11.1 DISPLAY TABLES

Display tables will be made available, free of charge, at the meeting venue for the display of promotional material and publications. Tables, clearly identified, are on a first come, first serve basis.

11.2 SHIPPING OF PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

Participants wishing to enquire about space availability regarding storage of promotional material at the meeting venue (ICAO Conference building) should address their requests to the CBD Secretariat (secretariat@cbd.int), with a copy, for information purposes to Mr. Mike Baiao, ICAO Conference Assistant, (Mbaiao@icao.int). For any query on customs clearance, please contact your courier service directly.

All shipments of promotional materials must be:

Addressed to:

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

Attention: Mr. Aballache Yesli
999 University Street
Montreal, Quebec
Canada
H3C 5H7

- Arriving in Montreal no earlier than one week prior to the start of the meeting;
- Arranged on a door-to-door basis, as ICAO does not deal with customs clearance and handling of the shipments, nor pay any shipment costs;
- Marked to the attention of Mr. Aballache Yesli (as above);
- Identified with the title of the meeting (i.e. WG-ABS-8);
- Communicated to the CBD Secretariat (<u>secretariat@cbd.int</u>), with a copy to Mr. Mike Baiao (<u>Mbaiao@icao.int</u>), indicating the expected date of arrival in Montreal, the airway bill number and the number of boxes sent.

N.B. Boxes must be numbered in "1 of X format". Whenever possible, a copy of the publication should be affixed to each box.

12. SIDE-EVENTS

Requests for side-events should be made using the **online** system available on the Secretariat's web site at: http://www.cbd.int/register/home.shtml. The deadline for the receipt of requests is **23 October 2009**. Requests will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests received after the deadline will not be considered.

Processed side-event requests can be viewed on the Secretariat's web site at: http://www.cbd.int/register/side-events/list.aspx?mtg=abswg-08, prior to and during the meeting.

Subject to availability of rooms and provided that side-event requests are received before the set deadline of 23 October 2009, meeting rooms, equipped with LCD projectors and

computers/laptops, for PowerPoint presentations, are provided **at no cost** to the side-events organizers. However, there may be a cost to the organizers when an event is scheduled in a room that does not already contain the required equipment. Should this be the case, organizers will be notified accordingly. It should be noted that side-events **may be rescheduled** depending on official sessions of the meeting. Should such a situation occur, it is the responsibility of side-events organizers to advise the caterer accordingly.

A binder for the scheduling of technical tests for side-events will be made available at the document distribution counter.

Organizers of side-events wishing to enquire about costs for catering or technical equipment should contact the following focal persons directly with a copy, for information purposes, to Mr. Mike Baiao (MBaiao@icao.int) and to Mr. Aballache Yesli (aballache.yesli@cbd.int).

(a) Technical equipment

Mr. Michael Thomas

E-mail: Continentalcs@yahoo.ca

Fax: + 1 514 486 4970

(b) Catering

Ms. Isabelle Dupuis 999 University Street

Montreal, Quebec Canada H3C 5H7 Telephone: + 1 (514) 954-8219 ext.7085

Facsimile: + 1 (514) 954-6134

E-mail: 43068@compass-canada.com

Side-event organizers without internet access or experiencing difficulties using the online system mentioned above, could address the duly completed form (annex $\bf D$) to the CBD Secretariat (secretariat@cbd.int) or by fax + 1 514 288 65 88

It should be noted that food and drinks are not allowed in any of the meeting rooms.

13. PAYMENT OF THE DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES (DSA)

The DSA will be paid to the sponsored participants starting Monday, 2 November 2009.

14. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

There are two official languages in Canada: English and French. French is the official language of Quebec; however English is widely spoken in Montreal.

15. WEATHER AND TIME ZONE INFORMATION



In November, temperatures in Montreal usually range between a maximum of $+5^{\circ}$ C in the daytime and a minimum of -4° C at night. The weather conditions are usually cold and rainy at this time of the year. Current weather conditions in the area can be found at: http://www.worldweather.org/056/c00634.htm.

The standard time zone will be GMT/UTC -5 hours.

16. ELECTRICITY

The electrical currents are 120 volts, 60 Hertz a (two-pin flat and vertical with a ground connection).



17. CURRENCY



The currency in Canada is the Canadian Dollar (CDN \$). The current exchange rate as at 25 August 2009 is US \$1 = CDN \$1.08 and (Euro) $$\in 1 = CDN 1.55 .

*Tipping of approximately 15% is expected in service industries such as bars and restaurants.

18. DISCLAIMER

The CBD Secretariat disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended to secure international medical insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.

Annex A – Personal Information Form



Eighth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing (WGABS-8) 9 - 15 November 2009, Montreal, Canada

PERSONAL IINFORMATION FORM TO BE ATTACHED TO THE NOMINATION LETTERS (PLEASE PRINT)

Note. Due to the large number of nominations involved, the Secretariat will not be able to acknowledge receipt for each nomination received. Pre-registered participants will only be contacted in cases where further information is required.

Delegate Details:	
Title : Mr. Ms. Mrs.	Dr. Prof. Amb.
Family Name:	
First Name:	
Function:	
Have you attended CBD meeting(s) before? Yes No	
Are you the Head of Delegation? If yes, please check box	
Are you an official delegate of : a Government or an Organisation	anization
Name of Government or Organization:	
Ministry/Department/Agency:	
Type of Organization: UN / Specialized Agency Inter-governmental organization Non-governmental organization Official Address: Indigenous and local companies or industry Education / University	mmunity organization Press / Media Other observer (specify)
Address:	
City/Province/Zip:	Country:
Private Address:	
Address:	
City/Province/Zip:	Country:
Telephone: ()	
country code area code number	
Fax: ()	
country code area code number	
Email:	
Web site http://	
	Date:
Signature:	Please return duly completed along with the nomination
	letters no later than 23 October 2009

Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity 413 Saint-Jacques Street, Suite 800

Montreal, QC H2Y 1N9, Canada

Fax: +1-514-288-6588 E-mail: secretariat@cbd.int

Annex B – Country Listing

COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES WHOSE CITIZENS REQUIRE VISAS IN ORDER TO ENTER CANADA AS VISITORS (AS LISTED ON THE WEBSITE OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION CANADA)

Citizens of the following countries and territories require a visa to visit or transit Canada:

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A	E (cont'd)	M	S (Cont'd)
Afghanistan	Eritrea	Macao	Sierra Leone
Albania	Ethiopia	Madagascar	Somalia
Algeria	•	Malawi	South Africa
Angola	F	Malaysia	Sri Lanka
Argentina	Fiji	Maldives	Sudan
Armenia	1 1/1	Mali	Suriname
Azerbaijan	G	Marshall Islands	Syrian Arab Republic
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В	Gambia	Mauritius	T
Bahrain	Georgia	Mexico	Tajikistan
Bangladesh	Ghana	Micronesia, Fed. States of	Tanzania, United Republic
Belarus	Grenada	Moldova	of
Belize	Guatemala	Mongolia	Thailand
Benin	Guinea	Montenegro	The former Yugoslav
Bhutan	Guinea-Bissau	Morocco	Republic of Macedonia
Bolivia	Guyana	Mozambique	Togo
Bosnia and Herzegovina		Myanmar	Tonga
Brazil	H		Trinidad and Tobago
Bulgaria	Haiti	N	Tunisia
Burkina Faso	Honduras	Nauru	Turkey
Burundi		Nepal	Turkmenistan
	I	Nicaragua	Tuvalu
C	India	Niger	
Cambodia	Indonesia	Nigeria	\mathbf{U}
Cameroon	Iran, Islamic Republic of		Uganda
Cape Verde	Iraq	O	Ukraine
Central African Republic	Israel	Oman	United Arab Emirates
Chad	Ivory Coast		Uruguay
Chile		P	Uzbekistan
China	J	Pakistan	
Colombia	Jamaica	Palau	V
Comoros	Jordan	Palestinian Authority	Vanuatu
Congo, Democratic		Panama	Venezuela
Republic of the	K	Paraguay	Viet Nam
Congo, Republic of the	Kazakhstan	Peru	
Costa Rica	Kenya	Philippines	Y
Cuba	Kiribati	Poland	Yemen
Czech Republic	Korea, Democratic People's		
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Djibouti	Kyrgyzstan		Zimbabwe
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Dominican Republic	${f L}$	Romania	
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E	Republic of	Rwanda	
East Timor	Lebanon	13 milion	
Ecuador	Lesotho	S	
Egypt	Liberia	Sao Tomé e Principe	
El Salvador	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Saudi Arabia	
Equatorial Guinea	Lithuania	Senegal	
Equatorial Guillea	Liuluailla	Sorbio	

Serbia Seychelles

Rate of exchange: US \$1 = CDN \$1.08 and

€1 =CDN \$1.55

Annex C – Hotel listing

LIST OF HOTELS WITH INDICATIVE ROOM RATES IN CANADIAN DOLLARS PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE THE APPLICABLE TAXES: GST 5% + QST 7.5% (12,875%)

RATES ARE INDICATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

A. FIVE STAR HOTELS	Approximate room rates	Distance to the meeting venue	Remarks
1. Hotel Inter-Continental Montreal 360 St. Antoine Street West, Montreal Tel.: +1-514-847-8525, option #3 America toll free: +1-800 361 3600 Fax: +1-514-847-8730 E-mail: montreal@interconti.com; yulhb-reservations@ihg.com Web site: http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/intercontinental/en/gb/reservations/dates-preferences/montreal	 Superior room KB: \$179 Deluxe room: \$189 Business and Club rooms: \$229 	About 10 minutes' walk	Including free internet access (For on-line booking use Group & Corporate rate of ICAO ID No: 956110420, by phone please request ICAO corporate rate)
2. Fairmont the Queen Elizabeth 900 Rene Levesque Blvd. West Montreal, Quebec Tel: +1-514-861-3511 (ask for reservations) Global reservation Centre: 1-800-441-1414 Fax: +1-514-954-2258 E-mail: queenelizabethhotel@fairmont.com Web site: www.fairmont.com	• Fairmont: \$185	About 10 minutes' walk	
B. FOUR-STAR HOTELS			
3. Delta Centre Ville 777 University Street Montreal, Quebec Tel.: +1-514-879-1370 Fax: +1-514-879-1761 Web link for reservations: www.deltahotels.com/bg3	Single: \$153Signature Club: \$189	About 3 minutes' walk	
4. Holiday Inn Select 99 Viger Street West Montreal, Quebec Tel.: +1-514-878-9888 Fax: +1-514-878-6341 Web site: www.ichotelsgroup.com	Single or double: \$154Executive: \$180	About 10 minutes' walk	
5. Hôtel de la Montagne 1430 de la Montagne Street Montreal, Quebec Tel.: +1-514-288-5656 Toll free in North America: + 1-800-361-6262 Fax: +1-514-288-9658 Web site: www.hoteldelamontagne.com	Deluxe KB: \$189Deluxe 2 QB: \$229	About 20 minutes' walk	
6. Square Phillips (Hotel & Suites) 1193 Place Phillips Montreal, Quebec H3B 3C9 Tel. + 1-514-393-1193 Fax: + 1-514-393-1192 Web site: www.squarephillips.com	 Studios: \$127 Junior suite 1 DB: \$137 Junior suite 1 KB: \$153 1 Bedroom suite: \$160 2 Bedroom suite: \$208 	About 10 minutes' walk	
7. Embassy Suites 208 St-Antoine West Montreal, Quebec Tel: 514-288-8886 Fax: 514-288-8899 Web site: http://embassy-Suites-Montreal-Quebec/index.do	 2 room Suite QB: \$160 2 room Suite KB: \$170 2 room Suite DB: \$190 	About 10 minutes' walk	

B. FOUR-STAR HOTELS (continued)			
8. Le Westin Montréal 270 St-Antoine West Montreal, Quebec Tel: 514-380-3333 Fax:514-380-3332 Web site: http://www.westinmontreal.com/	Traditional King or Traditional Queen/Queen: \$189	About 10 minutes' walk	Including free internet access
C. THREE-STAR HOTELS	Approximate room rates	Distance to the meeting venue	Remarks
9. Best Western 3407 Peel Street (corner of Peel and Sherbrooke Street) Montreal Tel: +1-514-288-4141 or Toll-free: +1-800-361-7791(Canada &U.S.A.) Fax: +1-514-288-3021 Reservations: sam@hotelvillemarie.com	Single or Double Deluxe QB or KB: \$109	About 20 minutes' walk	Please quote 8J-6 and/or ABS-8 meeting(s) to benefit from special rates.
Web site: www.hotelvillemarie.com 10. Holiday Inn & Express Suites EX Hotel suites le Faubourg 155 René-Lévesque Blvd. East Montreal Tel.: +1-514-448-7100 Toll free: +1-800-398-7100 Fax: +1-514-448-7101 E-mail: info@hotelfaubourg.com Web site: www.hiemontreal.com	Single or double occupancy: \$136	About 20 minutes' walk	
11. Hotel Le Dauphin 1025, De Bleury Montreal Tel: +1-514-788-3888 Fax: +1-514-788-3889 E-mail: mtl centre@hoteldauphin.ca Web site: www.hoteldauphin.ca	Single or double occupancy: \$129	About 10 minutes' walk	Including continental breakfast and free internet access
12. Hôtel Manoir des Alpes 1245 St. André Street Montreal Tel.: +1-514-845-9803 Fax: +1-514845-9886 Web site: www.hotelmanoirdesalpes.qc.ca	• Single QB: \$75	About 15 minutes' walk	Including breakfast
13. L'Appartement-in-Montréal 455 Sherbrooke Street West Montreal Tel.: +1-514-284-3634 Fax: +1-514-287-1431 Web site: www.appartementhotel.com	 Studio: \$109 1 Bedroom suite: \$129 2 Bedroom suite: \$175 	About 20 minutes' walk	
14. La Tour Centre-Ville 400 René-Lévesque Blvd. W. Montreal Tel.: + 1-514-866-8861 Fax: + 1-514-866-7257 Web site: www.hotelcentreville.com	 Studios single: \$91 Small suites single: \$101 Large suite, single: \$111 	About 15 minutes' walk	
15. Travelodge 50, René-Lévesque Blvd. West Montreal Tel.: +1-514-874-9090 Fax: +1-514-874-0907 E-mail: reserve@travellodgemontreal.ca Web site: www.travelodge.com	Single: \$89Double \$99Suite Double: \$167	About 20 minutes' walk	Including continental breakfast









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Deadline: 23 October 2009

SIDE-EVENTS REQUEST FORM

EIGHTH MEETING OF THE AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON ACCESS AND BENEFIT-SHARING (WGABS-8), 9 - 15 NOVEMBER 2009, MONTREAL, CANADA

Please ensure that all the information below is completed

Full name and acronym of organizer(s):								
	Expect	ted number of Particip	pants:					
	Prefer	red date and time:						
	(a)	First Choice:	/11/2009	time:	13:15 – 14:45		18:15 – 19:45	
	(b)	Second choice:	/11/2009	time:	13:15 – 14:45		18:15 – 19:45	
	(c)	Third choice:	/11/2009	time:	13:15 – 14:45		18:15 – 19:45	
	Requi	rements* (Please check	the boxes as appr	ropriate)				
	(a)	LCD Projector with	PC (for PowerPo	oint prese	entations)			
	(b)	Other* (please spec	ify and refer to no	ote below	v):			
	Date o	f submission: (/_	/) dd/m	m/yy				
	Short event description:							

^{*} For any catering arrangements, please refer to page 7 under heading 12. Any event requiring special equipment is at the expense of the organizer; for any query & assistance, please contact: secretariat@cbd.int.